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Mr. Walter Reid Wolf
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Walter:

Thanks very much for your letter of October 16th. In the same mail I received a letter from Dennis which worries me quite a bit. Dennis wrote to the F.B.I. recently regarding his application and received the following reply:

"Your communication of October 6, 1951 has been received and placed in file with your application for appointment to a position in the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Although your interest in this Bureau is appreciated, I regret that no encouragement can be offered at this time relative to favorable action being taken in your case. You may be assured, nevertheless, that a record of your qualifications is being retained on file for possible future consideration.

I am sorry that I am unable to write you more favorably.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover
Director."

I know of nothing unfavorable in Dennis' record, although after he became a top sergeant in the Marines in the last war I think he got a little bit lazy. In so far as integrity, loyalty and courage are concerned, he is tops, and I believe would make an excellent F.B.I. officer.

In view of the kind interest you have shown I thought I should advise you immediately of the letter received by Dennis from the F.B.I.

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P.S. Dennis is [redacted] son by a previous marriage. His father was British. As his step-father I can judge him coldly. He is a clean youngster in every way, with a tremendous sense of loyalty to his new country, the United States.